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SUBJECT: BIODATA, MOROCCAN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY HAJOUI

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1. BIO INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTEL FOLLOWS. HAJOUI HAS BEEN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY SINCE 1972. HE WAS BORN IN FES IN 1919. ATTENDED ECOLE DES SCIENCES POLITIQUES, PARIS AND LAUSANNE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL. ECONOMIC COUNSELOR, MOROCCAN EMBASSY ROME, 1956-57, AND PARIS, 1958-59. CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTRY ECONOMIC DIVISION, 1960-64. ON MEDICAL LEAVE 1960-61 FOLLOWING AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT SEVERELY AFFECTING HIS VISION. DELEGATE TO 16TH AND 17TH SESSIONS UNGA. HAJOUI APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO ACCRA IN APRIL, 1964, TO NEW DELHI IN MAY, 1967, AND TO TOKYO IN SEPTEMBER, 1968, WHERE ALSO ACCREDITED TO SEOUL.

2. HAJOUI RELATED BY MARRIAGE TO HASSAN YACOUBI, BROTHER-IN-LAW TO KING HASSAN. LATTER SAID TO BE JEALOUS OF HAJOUI'S GOLFING ABILITY, WHICH APPARENTLY UNIMPAIRED BY 1960 ACCIDENT. AS OF 1964, WAS REPORTEDLY SYMPATHETIC TO ISTIQLAL, MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTY.

3. HAJOUI CONSIDERED TO BE POLISHED DIPLOMAT, PROBABLY GOOD NEGOTIATOR, AND PARTICULARLY ADEPT AT STALLING. ALTHOUGH FRIENDLY, HE WAS NOT A CLOSE CONTACT OF RABAT EMBASSY DURING HIS
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